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The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Previously amended) A bicycle shift control device comprising:
an outer casing having an outer surface, a cable receiving bore and an access opening;
a cable operated winding mechanism disposed in said outer casing, said cable
operated winding mechanism having a cable attachment point disposed relative to said access
opening to be accessible from said access opening; and

a maintenance cover movably coupled to said outer casing between a closed position overlying said access opening and an open position exposing said access opening, said maintenance cover being configured to move along an arcuate path substantially parallel to said outer surface of said outer casing between said closed position and said open position.

2. (Previously amended) A bicycle shift control device comprising: an outer casing having a first complementary mounting structure, a cable receiving bore and an access opening;

a cable operated winding mechanism disposed in said outer casing, said cable operated winding mechanism having a cable attachment point disposed relative to said access opening to be accessible from said access opening; and

a maintenance cover slidably coupled to said outer casing between a fully closed position overlying said access opening in which said cable attachment point is non-accessible and a fully open position exposing said access opening such that said cable attachment point is accessible through said access opening in said fully open position, said maintenance cover being configured and arranged with a second complementary mounting structure that is slideably retained to said first complementary mounting structure to retain said maintenance cover to said outer casing in both said fully closed position and said fully open position.

3. (Original) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 2, wherein said outer casing includes a channel with said maintenance cover slideably disposed in said channel.

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4. (Currently amended) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 3, wherein

said outer casing and said maintenance cover include complementary retaining elements that are arranged to releasably maintain said maintenance cover in said <u>fully</u> closed position.

5. (Original) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 2, wherein said outer casing includes a first casing half and a second casing half that are fixedly coupled together.

- 6. (Original) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 5, wherein said access opening is partially formed in each of said first and second casing halves.
- 7. (Currently amended) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 6, wherein

said maintenance cover includes a handle element arranged to aid in sliding said maintenance cover between said <u>fully</u> closed position and said <u>fully</u> open position.

- 8. (Original) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 7, wherein said maintenance cover is curved.
- 9. (Original) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 1, wherein said outer casing and said maintenance cover include complementary retaining elements that are arranged to releasably maintain said maintenance cover in said closed position.
- 10. (Original) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 1, wherein said outer casing includes a first casing half and a second casing half that are fixedly coupled together.

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- 1. (Original) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 10, wherein said access opening is partially formed in each of said first and second casing halves.
- 12. (Currently amended) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 1, wherein

said maintenance cover includes a plurality of ribs that form a handle element arranged to aid in moving said maintenance cover between said closed position and said open position.

- 13. (Original) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 1, wherein said maintenance cover is curved.
- 14. (New) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 2, wherein said maintenance cover includes a handle element arranged to aid in sliding said maintenance cover between said fully closed position and said fully open position.
- 15. (New) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 2, wherein said outer casing and said maintenance cover include complementary retaining elements that are arranged to releasably maintain said maintenance cover in said fully closed position.
 - 16. (New) A bicycle shift control device comprising: an outer casing having a cable receiving bore and an access opening;

a cable operated winding mechanism disposed in said outer casing, said cable operated winding mechanism having a cable attachment point disposed relative to said access opening to be accessible from said access opening; and

a maintenance cover moveably coupled to said outer casing between a closed position overlying said access opening in which said cable attachment point is non-accessible and an open position exposing said access opening such that said cable attachment point is accessible through said access opening in said open position.

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- 17. (New) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 16, wherein said maintenance cover is slideably coupled to said outer casing between said closed position and said open position.
- 18. (New) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 16, wherein said outer casing includes a channel with said maintenance cover slideably disposed in said channel.
- 19. (New) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 16, wherein said outer casing and said maintenance cover include complementary retaining elements that are arranged to releasably maintain said maintenance cover in said closed position.
- 20. (New) The bicycle shift control device according to claim 16, wherein said outer casing includes a first casing half and a second casing half that are fixedly coupled together.